STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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The purpose of this RS is to amend Idaho Code §49-106 to add a definition for "electronic message," amend Idaho Code §49-114 to add a definition of "wireless communication device" and add a new section to the Idaho Code to be identified as §49-1432. Subject to exceptions for emergencies and for those carrying out their official duties as law enforcement officers and emergency responders, this new section would prohibit the use of a wireless communication device to send an electronic message, (i.e., engaging in "text messaging") while operating a motor vehicle in Idaho. The fine for violation of this section would be \$75.00.

FISCAL NOTE

There is no impact to the General Fund

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